

English

Our Tower is the first text that we will be using in Year 4 this term. This will explore the differences between the characters in the book and our own lives. We will explore the text and look at different grammar techniques that we can mimic in our own story.

In Guided reading, we will be looking **Fantastic Forests** and exploring the features of non-fiction texts.

Spelling: We will continue to work on our Year 4 spelling list and using Super Hero Spellings to help us to learn spelling rules.

We will also be reading a range of texts that link to our topic.

Maths

Multiplication and Division: We will begin by revisiting the multiplication facts that we have already explored along with learning about factors and multiples. We will use factors to help us solve larger multiplication problems. We will be multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000 before moving on to explore fractions.

Things are hotting up with our TTRockstar challenges too, ready for the Multiplication check in the summer term.

Understanding the World

History: We will be learning about a selection of monarchs who changed the UK and shaped the nation that we live in today.

RE: We will be exploring a selection of creation stories and looking at how different religions explain how the Earth came to be.

Spanish: We will be learning how to talk about different types of houses.



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Understanding Science and Technology

Science: We will be continuing to explore states of matter in our Science lessons before starting to explore 'Electricity'. We will be sorting appliances based on whether they use mains or batteries, explaining how a switch turns the electric current on and off and creating a simple series.

DT: We will be exploring our inner fashion designers. We will talk about the purpose of clothing and design an outfit suitable for a very royal (historic) customer.

Computing: We will be starting our audio editing work. We will be working towards recording our own podcasts.



Understanding our Health and Well-Being

PE: We will be continuing our swimming lessons this term, along with cricket sessions with our cricket coach.

PSHCE: We will be learning about 'Dreams and Goals'. We will explore how to stay motivated and the importance of a positive attitude.



Understanding Arts and Culture

Art: We will explore textiles and look closely at the Bayeux Tapestry.

Music: Linked to our history learning, we will look at music from the past and learning how we can mimic sounds and beats before creating our own.



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Our School Values: Resilient, Persistent, Self-Motivated, Risk-Takers, Creative, Good Citizens, Entrepreneurial

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the Spring term. We hope that everyone had a relaxing Christmas break and that everyone is ready for our busy, busy term. We are all excited about our upcoming class assemblies and the Year 4 play. There will be lots of singing and rehearsing between all of the learning that we have planned.

Please find overleaf details about what your child will be learning in class over this half-term. Weekly homework will be set via Google Classroom. We would encourage you to please spend some time at home each week practising the spellings and times tables we are working on in class. Please also read together with your child every day as it really does make such an enormous difference to their ability to read with fluency, confidence and understanding; reading records should be in book bags daily.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Sinclair, Miss Fisher and Mr Griffin.